

Bland County Historical Society March Membership Meeting

The March Membership Meeting of the Bland County Historical Society was held at the Bland County Library on Saturday, March 14, 2015. Pat Hatfield, Library Director of the Smyth Bland Regional Library presented information on a new online resource "History Comes Alive" which will give us access to much more historical information. This resource is the Smyth-Bland Digital Collection of local materials consisting of church records, family histories, newspapers, photographs and many other items of interest to our members. It can be accessed through the library's website: www.sbri.org In addition, Pat gave us some tips related to genealogy that will help us with the questions we so often get from our members and the public. We would like to thank Pat for her efforts with the new resource and her willingness to share her expertise with us.

Business conducted at the meeting included voting on officers for the next two years. Barbara Kemp was re-elected to a 2 year term as Secretary. There were no nominees for President. That position remains vacant and is being filled temporarily by Vice President, Sue Ellen Tate. There were two new members elected to the Board of Directors: **Louise Repass Aliff** and **Molly Penley Thompson**. Both have previously served on the Board and bring a wealth of information and talent to our organization. We appreciate their willingness to serve.

Officers of BCHS for 2015

Office	Name	Term
President	Vacant	2015-2016
Vice President	Sue Ellen Tate	2014-2015
Secretary	Barbara Kemp	2015-2016
Treasurer	Jeanie Owens	2014-2015

Board of Directors (includes officers and the following):

Ann Beardshall

Louise Aliff

Harold Ramsey

Virginia Gills

Tom Richardson

Barbara Kemp

Doris Sink

Barbara Laban

Pat Turner

Molly Thompson